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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER
AND REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
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Invention Title

**METHOD OF PRODUCING VACCINES FROM
PROTEIN SIGNAL OLIGOPEPTIDES**

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1. Please find an Amendment transmitted herewith for filing in the above-identified patent application.
2. Applicants respectfully request a **three-month extension of time** for responding to the Office Action mailed June 12, 2002, for which a response period expiring on September 12, 2002 was set. The extended period for response expires on December 12, 2002. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) extension fee of **\$460.00** to the deposit account of **Kenyon & Kenyon**, deposit account number 11-0600.
3. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed for charging purposes.

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